IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

: Examiner: R. Patel

CHRISTOPHER WAI-MING CHOI, ET AL.)

: Group Art Unit: 2121

Appln. No.: NYA

: Filed: July 23, 2001

For: INTELLIGENT HYDRAULIC

MANIFOLD USED IN AN

INJECTION MOLDING MACHINE

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

[This appln. is a divisional of Appln. No. 09/173,732, filed October 16, 1998]

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly delete Claims 1-16 and 32 without prejudice.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is

directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the below-listed information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500.

All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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